



Resource Management Intern

*Applications will be reviewed and considered as they are received.
Offers will be made on a rolling basis. Apply soon!*

Part of the River Connections Program, a partnership of Wild Rivers Conservancy and the National Park Service at the St. Croix National Scenic Riverway

Wild Rivers Conservancy is currently recruiting applicants for up to two Resource Management internships at the St. Croix National Scenic Riverway during the summer of 2022. Positions will be 12-14 weeks, beginning June 1, 2022.

The Riverway, one of the nation's first wild and scenic rivers, is a National Park consisting of 255 river miles that flow through some of the most scenic and least developed country in the Upper Midwest.

Learn more at: www.nps.gov/sacn

Wild Rivers Conservancy is a nonprofit organization that works to inspire stewardship to forever ensure the rare ecological integrity of the St. Croix and Namekagon Riverway.

Learn more at: www.wildriversconservancy.org

Description of Internship

These positions will work within the St. Croix National Scenic Riverway's Natural Resources Program, which is housed within the Resource Stewardship and Education Division. They will be supervised by the park's terrestrial biologist and/or aquatic biologist. These internships provide students with practical work experience in resource management in a national park.

Major Duties

Interns work with resource management and other park staff to gain a deeper understanding of the resource and perform biological work to protect the Riverway. Interns will learn about and be engaged with:

- Invasive and non-native plant control using hand tools, power tools, and herbicides. Sites will be accessed by vehicle, canoe/kayak, and on foot. It is expected that this position will be conducting these duties up to 40% of the time.
- Terrestrial restoration activities such as tree planting, inter-seeding local ecotype seed, and installing erosion control materials.
- Aquatic and terrestrial resource monitoring activities, including water quality, aquatic invertebrates, zebra mussels, and bat acoustic surveys.
- Aquatic species research and monitoring activities, including fish and native mussel surveys.
- Outreach activities on resource management projects, issues, and resources to inform and engage partners and local citizens.

Benefits

- Food and expense allowance
- Housing provided for the duration of internship for those coming from outside of area
- Training in paddling skills and CPR/First Aid.
- Training in herbicide application and power tool use such as chainsaws.
- Up to \$1200 for college credits/tuition is provided to the school in which the student is enrolled
- With 250 hours worked, you will receive a National Parks and Federal Recreational Lands Pass that provides access to more than 2,000 recreation areas managed by five Federal agencies (valid for 12 months after issue).

Skills Required

- Must be a US citizen or permanent resident of the United States.
- College student or recent graduate with coursework in natural, physical, or cultural sciences; resource interpretation; natural or cultural resource management; outdoor recreation; or park/recreation management.
- General knowledge of the National Park Service or St. Croix National Scenic Riverway is helpful.
- Ability to work well both independently and as part of a team, be detail-oriented and organized, and to follow oral and written directions.
- Good oral and written communication skills and basic computer familiarity.
- Valid state driver's license is required.
- Ability to lift and carry up to 25 pounds independently, and up to 50 pounds with assistance.

Work Site and Conditions:

- Interns will be based out of park headquarters in St. Croix Falls, Wisconsin.
- Work in the field is required and will involve some physical activity, including walking, standing for long periods of time, carrying a 3-gallon backpack sprayer, and paddling a kayak or canoe at a variety of park locations.
- An internship of 12-14 weeks is preferred. Flexibility in length of the internship is negotiable.
- A fingerprint and background check is required.
- Full COVID vaccination is required for position eligibility.

How to Apply:

Send all of the following information:

1. Cover letter. *State the internship you are applying for, why you are interested in the internship and in working at the St. Croix National Scenic Riverway.*
2. Detailed resume, including work experience.
3. Three references.

Email to:

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Deadline: Applications will be reviewed & considered as they are received, so apply soon!
Applications must be received by 5:00pm on Friday, February 18, 2022.